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- 1. A cap holding device comprising:
- a holding member for mounting a cap thereon;
- a pressing member detachably coupled to the holding member so as to maintain the cap in the holding member; and
- at least one fixing part formed at one end or both ends of the pressing member and fixed to the holding member.
- 2. The cap holding device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the pressing member includes a first pressing member for maintaining an embroidery region in the holding member, and a second pressing member detachably coupled to a coupling part, at which the first pressing member is coupled to the holding member, so as to fix a non-embroidery region of the cap to the holding member.
- 3. The cap holding device as claimed in claim 2, wherein the holding member includes a first supporting surface, a part of which is cut away, for supporting the embroidery region of the cap and a second supporting surface for supporting the non-embroidery region of the cap, the second supporting surface having two extension parts forwardly extending from both side ends of the first supporting surface and a connection part for connecting both ends of the extension parts to each other in

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parallel to the first supporting surface, a free end of the second supporting surface being positioned at a front of a moving route of a needle.

- 4. The cap holding device as claimed in claim 3, wherein the extension parts are formed in such a manner that a curved line is formed from upper ends of the extension parts forming the second supporting surface to both side ends of the first supporting surface.
- 5. The cap holding device as claimed in claim 3, wherein a means for receiving a second cap fixing part formed at a distal end of the second pressing member is formed at one of two extension parts of the second supporting surface.
- 6. The cap holding device as claimed in claim 3, further comprising a flange section outwardly extending at a right angle from lower portions of the first supporting surface and the extension parts of the second supporting surface, which extend from both side ends of the first supporting surface, and protrusion part outwardly protruded at a right angle from an upper end of the first supporting surface.
- 7. The cap holding device as claimed in claim 6, wherein a coupling member is vertically installed at one end of the

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flange section, the first and second pressing members are coupled to the coupling member, and a coupling protrusion for the first pressing member is formed on the first supporting surface in opposition to the coupling member.

- 8. (Amended-Clean Text) The cap holding device as claimed in claim 2, wherein a fastening member is formed at a distal end of the first pressing member and a locking protrusion is formed at a distal end of the second pressing member, the fastening member of the first pressing member is coupled to the locking protrusion of the second pressing member for holding the cap in the holding member.
- 9. The cap holding device as claimed in claim 8, wherein the first pressing member includes a pressing section having an elongated plate shape, a first expansion section extending widthwise from a first end of the pressing section, and a second expansion section extending widthwise from a second end of the pressing section, and at least one "" shaped fixing part fixed to the flange section is formed in the first expansion section and/or the second expansion section.
- 10. The cap holding device as claimed in claim 8, wherein the second pressing member includes a second rotating part rotatably coupled to the coupling member and a handle section,

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the handle section having an upper member extending from an upper end of the second rotating part and having a shape corresponding to the connection part of the second supporting surface, a lower member extending from a lower end of the second rotating part while being spaced from the upper member by a predetermined distance and having a shape corresponding to the upper member, and a connection member for connecting the lower member to the upper member.

- a second cap fixing part inserted into the receiving means formed in the extension parts of the second supporting surface is provided at an outer end of the connection member, a first cap fixing part extends from the second rotating part formed between the upper and lower members in such a manner that the first cap fixing part makes contact with the extension parts of the second supporting surface adjacent to the second rotating part, and a locking protrusion is formed at an outer portion of the connection member in opposition to the lower member.
- 12. The cap holding device as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a cap-shape keeping section extending from a circumferential portion of the holding member and capable of adjusting height thereof so as to tensely maintain the cap according to a size of the cap.

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- 13. The cap holding device as claimed in claim 12, wherein the cap-shape keeping member includes a holding plate extending from the circumferential portion of the holding member and a cap-shape supporting part capable of adjusting height thereof so as to tensely maintain the cap based on a size of the cap.
- 14. The cap holding device as claimed in claim 13, wherein the holding plate includes a pair of protrusion pins installed in the holding plate while spacing from each other by a predetermined distance, and the cap-shape supporting part includes a body section having a shape corresponding to a shape of the holding plate so as to easily make contact with the holding plate, a pair of elongated slots formed at a predetermined position of the body section corresponding to the protrusion pins and having a width sufficient for allowing the protrusion pins to be inserted into the elongated slots, and grooves formed at both sides of the body section.
- 15. A holding device as claimed in claim 14, wherein an upper end of the cap-shape supporting part has a curved shape in order to smoothly maintain the cap when the cap is mounted on the cap holding device for an embroidery work and the cap-shape supporting part is coupled to the holding plate by a coupling means in a state that the protrusion pins are inserted

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into the elongated slots.

16. The holding device as claimed in claim 14, further comprising a holding clip inserted into the grooves in order to securely support the cap.

17. The holding device as claimed in claim 12, wherein a flange section is outwardly protruded at a right angle from a lower portion of the holding member, first and second rods are installed on the flange section corresponding to both sides of a holding plate along a central axis of the holding member, and a locking protrusion is installed in the second rod.

18. The holding device as claimed in claim 17, wherein the pressing member includes a pressing section having an elongated plate shape, a first expansion section extending widthwise from a first end of the pressing section, and a second expansion section extending widthwise from a second end of the pressing section, the first expansion section has a hollow cylindrical rotating part rotatably coupled to the first rod, the second expansion section has a fastening member coupled to the locking protrusion formed in the second rod, and at least one "C" shaped fixing part coupled to the flange section is formed in the first expansion section and/or the second expansion section.